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EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.

Mr. Gerald Hardin
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RE: Cosden Oil & Chemical Company
Calumet City, Illinois
ILD 091700110

Dear Mr. Hardin:

This letter is to advise you that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) intends to conduct a site inspection of the above-referenced site during the week of March 25, 1985. Such an inspection will be conducted under the statutory authority of Section 106 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), 42 USC 9604. That provision permits the U.S. EPA or its authorized representative to enter any establishment where "hazardous substances have been generated, stored, treated, disposed of, or transported from." In addition, the CERCLA authority allows the U.S. EPA to collect samples of any hazardous substances or from any container during the inspection. In the event that your firm believes certain information collected during the inspection is entitled to confidential treatment by the U.S. EPA, you may assert a claim of confidentiality in accordance with 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 2, Sub-Part P.

Ecology and Environment (E&E) is a U.S. EPA contractor which has been duly authorized by the Agency to conduct inspections under the authority of CERCLA on behalf of the U.S. EPA. A representative of E&E will be contacting you in the near future to set a specific time within the week specified above for doing the inspection and sampling. The site inspection will be performed to determine the impact or potential impact on the environment of any hazardous substances which may exist in an uncontrolled manner at the site. A site inspection is subsequently reflected in a report (EPA Form 2070-12), a copy of which may be requested by contacting this office. The site inspection report provides a basis for determining if any further action is required at the site. Screening via a site inspection is part of the process for identifying those uncontrolled hazardous waste sites to be included on the National Priorities List, thereby making Superfund monies available for site cleanup.

In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Donald Joff, of my staff, at (312) 355-0702.

Sincerely yours,

Richard E. Bartelt, Chief
Emergency and Remedial Response Branch

cc: Terry Ayers, IEPA

Pete Van Sonnen, E&E ✓